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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-42.   (canceled)

43.   (currently amended)   A method for client mastered replication comprising:

receiving <u>by a replicating client computing device</u> from a connected server a copy of a first replica of a master file, the first replica being stored at the server, the master file being stored at a master client computing device;

storing the copy of the first replica at <u>the</u> a replicating client computing device as a second replica; and

displaying the second replica to a user at the replicating client computing device <u>that is different from the master client computing device</u>.

44.   (previously presented) The method of claim 43, further comprising:

making a change to the second replica.

45.   (previously presented) The method of claim 44, further comprising:

sending the change from the replication client computing device to the connected server.

46.   (previously presented) The method of claim 45, further comprising:

replicating by the connected server the change from the second replica to the first replica.

47.   (previously presented) The method of claim 46, further comprising:

sending the change from the connected server to the master client computing device.

48.   (previously presented) The method of claim 47, further comprising:

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receiving by the master client computing device from the connected server a copy of the change; and

determining whether to replicate the change from the first replica to the master file.

49.   (previously presented) The method of claim 48, comprising determining whether to replicate the change from the first replica to the master file in accordance with a conflict resolution scheme.

50.   (previously presented) The method of claim 49, comprising replicating the change from first the replica to the master file only if the change does not conflict with the master file.

51.   (currently amended) A system for client mastered replication, the system comprising:

a <u>master</u> client computing device that stores a master file and displays the master file to a user; and

a connected server that stores a first replica of the master file

<u>a replicating client computing device that is different from the master client computing device and that stores a second replica of the master file, the second replica being copied from the first replica,</u>

wherein the <u>master</u> client computing device receives changes made to the first replica and determines whether to replicate the changes from the first replica to the master file.

52.   (currently amended) The system of claim 51, wherein the <u>master</u> client computing device determines whether to replicate the changes from the first replica to the master file in accordance with a conflict resolution scheme.

53.   (currently amended) The system of claim 52, wherein the <u>master</u> client computing device replicates the changes from the first replica to the master file only of the changes do not conflict with the master file.

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54.   (currently amended)   The system of claim 51, wherein the <u>master</u> client computing device determines whether to replicate the changes from the first replica to the master file based on an event occurring at the <u>master</u> client computing device.

55.   (currently amended)   The system of claim 54, wherein the event is an expiration of a selected time interval, closing the master file at the <u>master</u> client device, saving the master file at the <u>master</u> client device, or shutting down the <u>master</u> client device.

56-57. (canceled)

58.   (previously presented)   The system of claim 56, wherein the server receives changes made to the second replica and determines whether to replicate the changes from the second replica to the first replica.